6:20 P.M. – Interview with new Appointees.

6:30 P.M. – Presentation by the Friends of Sholan Farm.

#### CITY OF LEOMINSTER

#### **CITY COUNCIL**

**MARCH 26, 2007** 

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#### PUBLIC FORUM, 7:45 P.M.

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, 8:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

C-104	Relative to the appropriation of \$164,000.00 to the Doyle Field Capital Outlay Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.(Finance)		
C-105	elative to the appropriation of \$1,100.00 to the Recreation Department alary and Wages Expense Account; same to be transferred from the access and Deficiency Account.(Finance)		
C-106	ative to the appropriation of \$100,000.00 to the Snow and Ice Expense count; sane to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency count.(Finance)		
C-107	elative to the appropriation of \$20,000.00 to the Snow and Ice Overtime count; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency count.(Finance)		
C-108	Relative to the appropriation of \$10,000.00 to the Sidewalk and Curbing Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.(Finance)		
C-109	Relative to the appropriation of \$3,500.00 to the Forestry Department Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.(Finance)		
C-110	Relative to the appropriation of \$18,000.00 to the Sanitation and Drainage Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.(Finance)		
C-111	Relative to the appropriation of \$525,524.00 to the following accounts for the Year 33 Community Development Block Grant.(Ways & Means)		
	<ol> <li>Board of Health – Code Enforcement \$ 67,451.00</li> <li>Office of Planning &amp; Development – Economic</li> </ol>		
	Development Program 58,000.00		
	3. Office of Planning & Development – Housing 195,940.00		
	Rehabilitation Program (Includes \$10,000 for		
	Elder Rehab Services)		
	4. Office of Planning & Development – Planning &		
	Administration 105,105.00		
	5. Leominster Department of Public Works – Mill Street, core sidewalk area project 21,000.00		

6.	Battered Women's Resources, Inc Second	
	Chance Program	4,800.00
7.	Brady's Educational Services – Equal Access to	
	SAT1/MCAS Prep	1,378.00
8.	Beacon of Hope – Respite Services	10,500.00
9.	Boys and Girls Club – North Central Mass.	3,000.00
10.	Leominster Mayor's Office – Energy	
	Assistance Program	4,000.00
11.	Leominster Mayor's Office – Summer	
	Youth Program	12,500.00
12.	Leominster Mayor's Office – State Pool Fee	
	Assistance	1,250.00
13.	Leominster Housing Authority – Allencrest	
	Learning Center	1,400.00
14.	Leominster Housing Authority – Stop Homelessness	4,900.00
15.	Leominster Recreation Department – Summer	
	Financial Assistance	700.00
16.	Montachusett Addiction Council – Substance	
	Abuse Center	2,700.00
17.	Montachusett Interfaith Hospitality Network-	
	Interfaith Network	10,000.00
18.	Montachusett Opportunity Council – Hmong Liason	
	Program	3,600.00
19.	Multi Service Center – for Your Health	5,000.00
20.	Multi Service Center – Project Youth	1,100.00
21.	Spanish American Center – Community Outreach	
	Worker (information and referral)	4,000.00
22.	Spanish American Center – Verano Alegre/	Included in
	Summer Fund	above total
23.	Veterans Hospice Homestead – Hero Homestead	8,000.00

C-112 Dean J. Mazzarella, Mayor: Request the establishment of a scholarship fund in the name of Angelo A. Picucci. (Committee on Schools)

# **PETITIONS**

- Wayne A. Nickel: Place a "Stop" sign on Gordon Avenue at the corner of Eighth Street.(Legal Affairs)
- 69-07 Fred R. Tousignant: Renew the second-hand dealers license for the premises located at 92 Pleasant Street. (Ways & Means)

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Police Department – Lateral Transfers – Anthony A. Cucchiara, Michael Kochanski and Vang P. Lee

Conservation Commission – Edward F. Cuddahy – term to expire April 15, 2009 (to fill the unexpired term of Louis DiRusso)

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#### MATTERS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Leominster Fire Department - Permanent Firefighters – Armin K. Keidel and Bryan S. LeBlanc.

Leominster Police Department – Permanent Sergeant – Scott Bernier (to replace Dennis Surrette.)

#### **FINANCE**

- C-94 Relative to the appropriation of \$212,500.00 to the School Department Capital Outlay Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.
- C-95 Relative to the appropriation of \$25,000.00 to the Veteran's Department Capital Outlay Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.
- C-96 Relative to the appropriation of \$50,000.00 to the Police Department Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.
- C-97 Relative to the appropriation of \$100,000.00 to the Police Department Overtime Account; same to be transferred from the Police Salary and Wages Account.
- C-98 Relative to the appropriation of \$75,000.00 to the Fire Department Overtime Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

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### MATTERS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL, continued

# FINANCE, continued

- C-99 Relative to the appropriation of \$15,000.00 to the Parking Meter Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Parking Meter Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account. C-100 Relative to the appropriation of \$16,000.00 to the Parking Meter Salary and Wages Account; same to be transferred from the Parking Meter Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account. C-101 Relative to the appropriation of \$5,000.00 to the Recreation Department Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account. C-102 Relative to the appropriation of \$24,000.00 to the Wire Department Expense Account; same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account. LEGAL AFFAIRS 48-07 James Whitney, on behalf of 557 Lancaster Street Realty Trust: Grant a Special Permit to use an existing building located at 557 Lancaster Street, located in an Industrial zone and shown on Assessor's Map 443 as lot A3, for a dog grooming business.
- Wayne A. Nickel: Place "No Parking Here to Corner" signs on Vinton Street at Mechanic Street and one on Mechanic Street at the corner with Vinton Street.
- Wayne A. Nickel: Place a "Dead End" or equivalent sign on Johnny Appleseed Lane at Mechanic Street.

#### CITY PROPERTY

Jacquelyn Farreau, on behalf of the Wallace Figure Skating Club: Allow the Wallace Figure Skating Club to place signs at Rte. 12, near Shaws/Barnes & Noble and Rte. 13, near Brooks Pharmacy, to advertise registration for the spring from March 25, 2007 through April 7, 2007.

#### MATTERS BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL, continued

#### **WAYS & MEANS**

C-103 Dean J. Mazzarella, Mayor: Request Jane Powers be exempt from the provisions in M.G.L. Chapter 268A (20B) Conflict of Interest as she is currently employed by the City of Leominster School Department and is taking on a position at the Recreation Department.

67-07 Christopher Rivard: Grant a transient vendors license to sell flowers and plants in April and May, 2007.

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Report of President's Drinking Water Oversight Committee

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

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